# Lackland Air Force Base Basic Military Training

# **Graduation Events**

Visitors are only permitted during the last week of training on Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday ONLY. There's no limit on the number of guests. The following schedule is subject to change during holiday weeks. Contact the BMT Reception Center at (210) 671-3024.



### **Thursday**

- Orientation Briefings (7:45am, 10:15am, 12:30pm or 2:00pm): Attend any of the four briefings at the Reception Center
- Sign-In (one time, Thursday-Sunday): Beginning on Thursday and throughout the weekend you'll need to sign-in. This will help your Airman as they will check the sign-in rosters prior to starting base liberty or town pass.

  PLEASE DO NOT SURPRISE YOUR AIRMAN--parents have missed their Airman an entire day because their Airman departed on pass not knowing they had visitors
- Airman's Run (Summer 9:00am, Winter 9:30am): Cheer the Airmen as they run by singing 'jodies' in flight formation
- Retreat Ceremony (4:30pm): Pay tribute to the flag and meet with your Airman immediately afterwards. Some Airmen may have limited visitation due to training requirements
- Honor Graduate Reception (4:45pm): The Commander of Basic Military Training invites honor graduates, most physically fit Airmen and their families to a special ceremony in their honor at the Reception Center
- **Buffet Dinner Opportunity (5:00pm-7:30pm):** at Mitchell Hall. Airmen pay half price for the buffet at Mitchell Hall. Visitors pay full price.
- **End of Liberty (8:00pm):** Airmen due back in their dormitory. Your Airman's commander or military training instructor may impose an earlier return time

### **Friday**

- Orientation Briefing (7:15am): Reception Center. You do not have to attend Friday's Orientation Briefing if you have already attended an Orientation Briefing on Thursday. The same topics are discussed during Thursday's and Friday's Orientation Briefings.
- Transportation to Parade Ground (7:30am-8:45am): Buses depart Reception Center for easy access to the parade grounds (we recommend taking a bus due to limited parking at the parade grounds)
- Graduation Parade (9:00am): Watch Airmen "Pass In Review" and reaffirm their "Oath of Enlistment" at graduation parade; Airmen are released for base liberty and may take photographs by historical aircraft positioned around the parade field
- Return Bus (9:45am): Buses depart the parade ground for the Reception Center; Airmen may ride back with you
- Squadron Open House (10:00-11:00am): Visit your Airman's dormitory; parking in squadrons is prohibited
- Lunch Opportunity (11:00-1:30pm): Visit Mitchell Hall for lunch buffet. Airmen pay half price while their visitors pay full price.
- Airman, Spouse and Parent Orientation (12:00pm & 1:00pm): This orientation, which takes place at the BMT Reception Center Auditorium, provides information on tech training, pay, entitlements, benefits, and available services.
- Town Pass (2:00pm-8:00pm)

  Note: Airmen must remain in the San Antonio metropolitan area, but may visit Sea World, Fiesta Texas and family/friends near local military installations to include Randolph AFB. Airmen must coordinate exceptions to this limitation through their Training Squadron Leadership. Airmen are also prohibited from visiting the 'off-limits' establishments discussed during their Town Pass briefing. A listing of these establishments is also displayed on their dormitory bulletin board.
- **Dinner Possibility (5:00-7:30pm):** Visit Mitchell Hall for dinner buffet
- **End of Liberty (8:00pm):** Airmen are due back in their dormitory



## **Saturday**

Town Pass (9:15am): Airmen begin arriving at the Reception Center to start Town Pass

Note: Airmen must remain inside Loop 1604, with the exception of Randolph AFB and Six Flags Fiesta Texas. Any location outside this limit, including family/friends homes, is prohibited. Airmen are also prohibited from visiting the 'off-limits' establishments discussed during their Town Pass briefing. A listing of these

- establishments is also displayed on their dormitory bulletin board and is included in the Visitor's Guide document.
- **End of Town Pass (8:00pm):** Airmen are due back in their dormitory

## **Sunday**

- Religious Services (6:30am-4:00pm): If you and your Airman plan to attend religious services, you must attend your Airman's designated service for their denomination.
- **Town Pass (9:00am-8:00pm)** *Note: Awarded to Top Physically Fit Airmen and Honor Graduates ONLY.*
- **Base Liberty** (9:00am): Airmen are released from their squadrons for base liberty
- **Sunday brunch (9:30am-1:30pm):** The Gateway Club is open to all visitors
- **End of Liberty (6:00pm):** Airmen are due back in their dorms. Your Airman's commander or military training instructor may impose an earlier return time.

### Parade Video

Air Force basic training graduation parade and retreat are professionally videographed and available on video. If you are unable to attend and would like more information on these videos, please call (210) 695-4979.

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